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Re: NEW PATENT APPLICATION Attorney Docket No.: 3985

Inventor: Rolf ESPE

Title: PRESS PAD CONTAINING FLUOROELASTOMER

OR FLUOROSILICONE ELASTOMER

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a NEW PATENT APPLICATION comprising:

a) 16 pages of specification; 18 claims, 1 independent;

1 Fig. on 1 sheet of formal drawings;

an abstract;

1 return receipt postcard;

b) Declaration, Power of Attorney;

c) Form PTO-2038 (\$395.00) to cover the filing fee **and** the fee for Assignment Recordal. Any fee deficiency or additional fee may be charged to Deposit Account No.: 50-0507;

d) An Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet and copy of

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The Priorities of earlier Utility Model applications:

Utility Model No. 200 05 255.1, filed on March 21, 2000 in Federal Republic of Germany; and Utility Model No. 200 08 249.3, filed on May 12, 2000 in Federal Republic of Germany

are hereby expressly claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119. Please acknowledge the priority claim.

- 3) A copy of the Priority Document 200 05 255.1 WILL FOLLOW. A copy of Priority Document 200 08 249.3 WILL FOLLOW.
- 4) All correspondence for this application is to be sent to: CUSTOMER NO. 021553.
- 5) Small Entity Status is claimed for this application.

Very truly yours,

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